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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Arrival at Reedy Island Quarantine of vessels from West Indian ports.

REEDY ISLAND QUARANTINE,
via Port Penn, Del., August 24, 1902.

SIR: Through the medical officer in command of national quarantine service on Delaware Bay and River, I have the honor to report the arrival at this station of the following vessels:

August 17, steamship *Royal Exchange*, from Santiago de Cuba, with ore; no passengers. Bill of health signed by Acting Asst. Surg. Richard Wilson. August 18, steamship *Avonmore*, from Matanzas, with sugar; no passengers; bill of health signed by Assistant Surgeon Von Ezdorf; steamship *Taff*, from Banes, with fruit; no passengers; Cuban bill of health signed by quarantine officer Rico. August 19, 1902, steamship *Hugoma*, from Matanzas, with sugar; no passengers; bill of health signed by Assistant Surgeon Von Ezdorf.

Respectfully,

T. F. RICHARDSON,
Assistant Surgeon, In Command.

REPORTS FROM THE MEXICAN BORDER.

El Paso, Tex., August 23, 1902—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following summary of transactions at this station for the week ended August 23, 1902: Inspection of Mexican Central Railroad passengers, 168; inspection of Rio Grande and Pacific Railroad passengers, 28; inspection of Mexican immigrants, 194; inspection of 7 Arabs; disinfection of soiled linen imported for laundry work, 485 pieces; disinfection of baggage of Arabs, 12 pieces; detention of 7 Arabs only four days out from Vera Cruz.

E. ALEXANDER,
Acting Assistant Surgeon.

Laredo, Tex., August 25, 1902—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following inspection report for week ended August 23, 1902: Number of passenger trains entering from Mexico inspected, 14; persons on passenger trains entering from Mexico inspected, 568; immigrants inspected, 31; immigrants vaccinated upon entry, 13. August 18, 1 person, three days out from Vera Cruz, refused entry until completion of necessary period.

H. J. HAMILTON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon.